

### SG Gas Company Employee Group Has New Contract

Southern California Professional Engineering Association, a collective bargaining organization representing some 425 employees of the Southern California Gas Co. last week accepted a new contract with the company, to become effective May 1.

Included in the agreement was a 5 percent wage increase, which will be retroactive to April 1. Simultaneously with the signing of the contract with the Professional Engineering Association, the company announced that it is putting into effect a 5 percent wage increase for all other employees in the gas company except those represented by the Utility Workers Union of America, which is now on strike. The company explained that although many represented employees remain on the job, they will not receive the increase, inasmuch as the law does not permit such an increase to be made at this time.

In the meantime, a meeting between striking Utility Workers Union of America, C.I.O. representatives and company management representatives is being held at 310 So. Flower Street. The company had offered the union, representing some 3800 other employees, a contract incorporating essential by the same provisions accepted by the Professional Engineers group.

### El Camino JC Officials Tour High Schools

Assembly programs to be given at several high schools in the El Camino College district for the purpose of telling high school seniors about the offerings of the college were planned for this week by college officials.

Student leaders from El Camino planned to go to the schools, accompanied by Merl F. Sloan, director of student personnel, Mary Hancock, Hamilton Madadford, and W. Holmes Smith, assistant directors of student personnel for women, men, and guidance.

Schools to be visited, Sloan said, include Torrance High School, Redondo Union high school, Inglewood high school, Leuzinger high school, Mira Costa high school, and Morning-side high school.

"We hope by these visits," Sloan said, "to tell high school seniors what the ymay expect from the college when they decide to go on. We try to answer as many of their questions as possible so they will be familiar with the offerings of the school when they get there."

At some of the high schools to be visited this week and next, special conferences were planned with various high school counselors as well as the programs for seniors at most of them.

A special edition of the El Camino College Warhoop, the weekly student newspaper, was prepared to be distributed to the students in the various high schools. Highlighted in the high school edition were descriptions of in-class and extra-curricular activities at college, as well as suggestions for receiving a maximum benefit from the college work.

### Bereskin Heads Entertainment

Lou Bereskin, of Torrance, will head the entertainment program when the Cancer Fighters auxiliary of the City of Hope, free national medical center, holds its first installation dinner dance Sunday evening, April 26 in Santa Monica's Miramar Hotel. Abraham Singer will be installed as president.

The City of Hope, free non-sectarian center of healing at Duarte, accepts victims of cancer and tuberculosis from every part of the country. It is supported entirely by voluntary contributions.

### Real Estate Class Hears Tax Discourse

Rolland E. Bouck, assistant County assessor, shared the speaker's stand with Chamber of Commerce President Robert J. Plomert Jr. April 15 as the two spoke on real estate taxes before the "Know Your Real Estate" course at the Torrance High School cafeteria. The course, part of the Adult Education program of Torrance, is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and the Torrance-Lomita Realty Board.

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